Post Traumatic Growth Inventory

Client Name:_____ Today's Date:_____

Indicate for each of the statements below the degree to which this change occurred in your life as a result of the crisis/disaster, using the following scale.

- 0 = I did not experience this change as a result of my crisis.
- 1 = I experienced this change to a very small degree as a result of my crisis.
- 2 = I experienced this change to a small degree as a result of my crisis.
- 3 = I experienced this change to a moderate degree as a result of my crisis.
- 4 = I experienced this change to a great degree as a result of my crisis.
- 5 = I experienced this change to a very great degree as a result of my crisis.

	1	1	1	1	1	1
Possible Areas of Growth and Change	0	1	2	3	4	5
1. I changed my priorities about what is important in life.						
2. I have a greater appreciation for the value of my own life.						
3. I developed new interests.						
4. I have a greater feeling of self-reliance.						
5. I have a better understanding of spiritual matters.						
6. I more clearly see that I can count on people in times of trouble. Text						
7. I established a new path for my life.						
8. I have a greater sense of closeness with others.						
9. I am more willing to express my emotions.						
10. I know better that I can handle difficulties.						
11. I am able to do better things with my life.						
12. I am better able to accept the way things work out.						
13. I can better appreciate each day.						
14. New opportunities are available which wouldn't have been otherwise.						
15. I have more compassion for others.						
16. I put more effort into my relationships.						
17. I am more likely to try to change things which need changing.						
18. I have a stronger religious faith.						
19. I discovered that I'm stronger than I thought I was.						
20.1 learned a great deal about how wonderful people are.						
21.1 better accept needing others.						

Post Traumatic Growth Inventory Scoring

The Post Traumatic Growth Inventory (PTGI) is scored by adding all the responses. Individual factors are scored by adding responses to items on each factor. Factors are indicated by the Roman numerals after each item below. Items to which factors belong are <u>not</u> listed on the form administered to clients.

PTGI Factors

Factor I: Relating to Others Factor II: New Possibilities Factor III: Personal Strength Factor IV: Spiritual Change Factor V: Appreciation of Life

- 1. I changed my priorities about what is important in life. (V)
- 2. I have a greater appreciation for the value of my own life. (V)
- 3. I developed new interests. (II)
- 4. I have a greater feeling of self-reliance. (III)
- 5. I have a better understanding of spiritual matters. (IV)
- 6. I more clearly see that I can count on people in times of trouble. (I)
- 7. I established a new path for my life. (II)
- 8. I have a greater sense of closeness with others. (I)
- 9. I am more willing to express my emotions. (I)
- 10. I know better that I can handle difficulties. (III)
- 11. I am able to do better things with my life. (II)
- 12. I am better able to accept the way things work out. (III)
- 13. I can better appreciate each day. (V)
- 14. New opportunities are available which wouldn't have been otherwise. (II)
- 15. I have more compassion for others. (I)
- 16. I put more effort into my relationships. (I)
- 17. I am more likely to try to change things which need changing. (II)
- 18. I have a stronger religious faith. (N)
- 19. I discovered that I'm stronger than I thought I was. (III)
- 20. I learned a great deal about how wonderful people are. (I)
- 21. I better accept needing others. (I)

PTGI References of Potential Interest

- Baker, J. M., Kelly, C., Calhoun, L. G., Cann, A., & Tedeschi, R. G. (2008). An Examination of Posttraumatic Growth and Posttraumatic Depreciation: Two Exploratory Studies. *Journal of Loss and Trauma, 13,* 460-465.
- Calhoun, L.G., & Tedeschi, R.G. (1999). *Facilitating posttraumatic growth: A clinician's guide.* Mahwah, NJ: Lawrence Erlbaum Associates.

Calhoun,L. G., & Tedeschi, R. G. (2001). Posttraumatic growth: The positive lessons of loss. In R. A Neimeyer (*Ed.*),*Meaning reconstruction and the experience of loss (pp.* 157-172). Washington, DC: American Psychological Association.

Calhoun, L. G., & Tedeschi, R. G. (2004). The foundations of posttraumatic growth: New considerations. *Psychological Inquiry, 15,* 93-102.

Calhoun, L. G., & Tedeschi, R. G.(Eds.). (2006). *Handbook of Posttraumatic Growth: Research and Practice.* Mahwah, NJ: Lawrence Erlbaum Associates Publishers.

Calhoun, L. G., Tedeschi, R. G., Cann, A., & McMillan, J. (2000). A correlational test of the relationship between posttraumatic growth, religion, and cognitive processing. *Journal of Traumatic Stress*, *13*, 521-527.

Cann,A.,Calhoun,L. G., Tedeschi,R.G.,Kilmer, R.P.,Gil-Rivas, V., Vishnevsky, T.,& Danhauer,S. C. (in press). The *Core Beliefs Inventory:* A Brief Measure of Disruption in the Assumptive World. *Anxiety, Stress, & Coping.*

Morris, B., Shakespeare-Finch, J., Rieck, M., & Newbery, J. (2005). Multidimentional nature of posttraumatic growth in an Australian population. *Journal of Traumatic Stress, 18,* 575-585.

Shakespeare-Finch, J., & Enders, T. (2008). Corroborating evidence of posttraumatic growth. *Journal of Traumatic Stress, 21,* 421-424.

Taku, K, Cann, A., Calhoun, L. G., & Tedeschi, R. G. (2008). The factor structure of the Posttraumatic Growth Inventory: A comparison of five models using confirmatory factor analysis. *Journal of Traumatic Stress, 21,* 158-164.

Tedeschi, R.G., & Calhoun, L.G. (1995). *Trauma and transformation: Growing in the aftermath of suffering.* Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage Publications.

Tedeschi, R.G., & Calhoun, L.G. (1996). The Posttraumatic Growth Inventory: Measuring the positive legacy of trauma. *Journal of Traumatic Stress, 9,* 455-471.

Tedeschi, R. G., & Calhoun, L. G. (2004). Posttraumatic growth: Conceptual foundations and empirical evidence. *Psychological Inquiry*, 15,1-18.

Tedeschi,R. G.,& Calhoun,L. G. (2004). *Helping bereaved parents: A clinician's guide.* New York: Brunner - Routledge.

Tedeschi,R. G., & Calhoun, L. G. (2009). The clinician as expert companion. In C. L. Park, S.C. Lechner, M. H. Antoni, & A Stanton (Eds.) *Medical illness and positive life change: Can crisis lead to personal transformation* (pp. 215-235)? Washington, DC: American Psychological Association.

In Reciprocation

There is no charge for the PTGI, and there is no charge for the reproduction of the scale for use in research. In reciprocation, we would like you to send us a gratis copy of any manuscripts, theses, dissertations, research reports, preprints, and publications you prepare in which our materials, or any version of them, is used. Both L. G. Calhoun and R. G. Tedeschi can be contacted at: Department of Psychology - UNC Charlotte - Charlotte, NC 28223 USA.

https://www.emdrhap.org/content/wp-content/uploads/2014/07/VIII-B_Post-Traumatic-Growth-Inventory.pdf